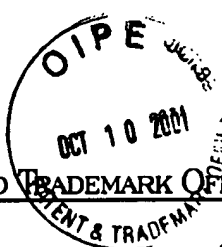




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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The statutory basic filing fee is missing.  
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In re Application of: BOX MISSING PARTS  
Roger LE COMTE, et. al. Group Art Unit:  
Serial No. 09/909,996 Examiner:  
Filed: July 23, 2001  
For: DEVICE FOR PROCESSING  
SAMPLES OF BLOOD PRODUCTS

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF  
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Nonprovisional Application Filed Under 37 CFR 1.53(b), Filing  
Date Granted, dated September 7, 2001, submitted herewith is  
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A copy of the Notice to File Missing Parts of  
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The appropriate fee of \$870.00, covering the filing fee  
of \$740.00 and the surcharge of \$130.00 for late filing of the  
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